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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Hiroyuki MINEMURA  
Serial No.: 10/643,975  
Filed: August 20, 2003  
Title: INFORMATION REPRODUCING METHOD AND AN INFORMATION REPRODUCING DRIVE UTILIZING PRML TO OUTPUT BINARY VALUES  
Group: 2627  
Examiner: DANIELSEN, Nathan Andrew  
Confirmation No.: 4972

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2007, the period of response for which extension of time is requested in the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2;**

**Remarks are included beginning on page 6; and**

**Authorization is included on page 12.**